

## XI. CHILD PROTECTION

### Birth Registration

A name and nationality is every child's right, enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and other international treaties. Yet the births of around one in four children under the age of five years worldwide have never been recorded.<sup>60</sup> This lack of formal recognition by the State usually means that a child is unable to obtain a birth certificate. As a result, he or she may be denied health care or education. Later in life, the lack of official identification documents can mean that a child may enter into marriage or the labour market, or be conscripted into the armed forces, before the legal age. In adulthood, birth certificates may be required to obtain social assistance or a job in the formal sector, to buy or prove the right to inherit property, to vote and to obtain a passport. Registering children at birth is the first step in securing their recognition before the law, safeguarding their rights, and ensuring that any violation of these rights does not go unnoticed.<sup>61</sup>

| Table CP.1: Birth registration   |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
|--|---|----------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Percentage of children under age 5 by whether birth is registered and percentage of children not registered whose mothers/caretakers know how to register birth, Punjab, 2014. |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
|  | Children under age 5 whose birth is registered with civil authorities |          |                      |                               | Number of children under age 5 | Children under age 5 whose birth is not registered                     |   |
|  | Has birth certificate   |          | No birth certificate | Total registered <sup>1</sup> |                                | Percent of children whose mother/caretaker knows how to register birth | Number of children under age 5 without birth registration |
|  | Seen  | Not seen |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Punjab   | 21.7  | 21.5     | 29.4                 | 72.7                          | 27,495                         | 36.7   | 7,516   |
| Area of residence  |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Rural  | 17.3  | 17.3     | 33.6                 | 68.2                          | 19,002                         | 32.3   | 6,034   |
| All Urban  | 31.6  | 30.9     | 20.0                 | 82.6                          | 8,493                          | 54.6   | 1,482   |
| Major Cities   | 34.7  | 36.4     | 14.5                 | 85.5                          | 4,364                          | 63.8   | 631   |
| Other Urban  | 28.3  | 25.2     | 25.8                 | 79.4                          | 4,129                          | 47.8   | 851   |
| Sex  |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Male   | 22.1  | 21.5     | 29.5                 | 73.1                          | 13,915                         | 35.5   | 3,746   |
| Female   | 21.3  | 21.6     | 29.3                 | 72.2                          | 13,580                         | 37.9   | 3,769   |
| Age  |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| 0-11 months  | 18.0  | 17.4     | 27.5                 | 62.9                          | 5,343                          | 51.5   | 1,983   |
| 12-23 months   | 23.3  | 20.5     | 30.7                 | 74.5                          | 5,300                          | 35.6   | 1,352   |
| 24-35 months   | 21.9  | 23.0     | 30.4                 | 75.4                          | 5,326                          | 31.3   | 1,312   |
| 36-47 months   | 22.2  | 23.8     | 29.4                 | 75.4                          | 5,894                          | 31.9   | 1,449   |
| 48-59 months   | 23.0  | 22.7     | 29.1                 | 74.8                          | 5,633                          | 27.0   | 1,419   |
| Mother's education   |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| None/pre-school  | 12.2  | 16.4     | 30.9                 | 59.5                          | 13,140                         | 27.6   | 5,321   |
| Primary  | 24.7  | 20.4     | 34.1                 | 79.1                          | 4,991                          | 52.0   | 1,043   |
| Middle   | 30.5  | 24.5     | 28.8                 | 83.8                          | 2,740                          | 55.3   | 445   |
| Secondary  | 35.0  | 28.3     | 25.7                 | 89.1                          | 3,563                          | 68.5   | 388   |
| Higher   | 34.2  | 34.7     | 20.7                 | 89.6                          | 3,062                          | 74.6   | 318   |
| Wealth index quintile  |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Lowest   | 4.6   | 11.2     | 30.0                 | 45.8                          | 6,316                          | 21.4   | 3,423   |
| Second   | 13.7  | 17.1     | 36.7                 | 67.6                          | 5,560                          | 38.5   | 1,804   |
| Middle   | 24.0  | 21.6     | 34.8                 | 80.4                          | 5,335                          | 51.9   | 1,048   |
| Fourth   | 32.5  | 26.2     | 26.9                 | 85.7                          | 5,380                          | 58.5   | 770   |
| Highest  | 38.4  | 34.7     | 17.3                 | 90.4                          | 4,904                          | 71.5   | 471   |

<sup>60</sup> UNICEF. 2014. *The State of the World's Children 2015*. UNICEF.

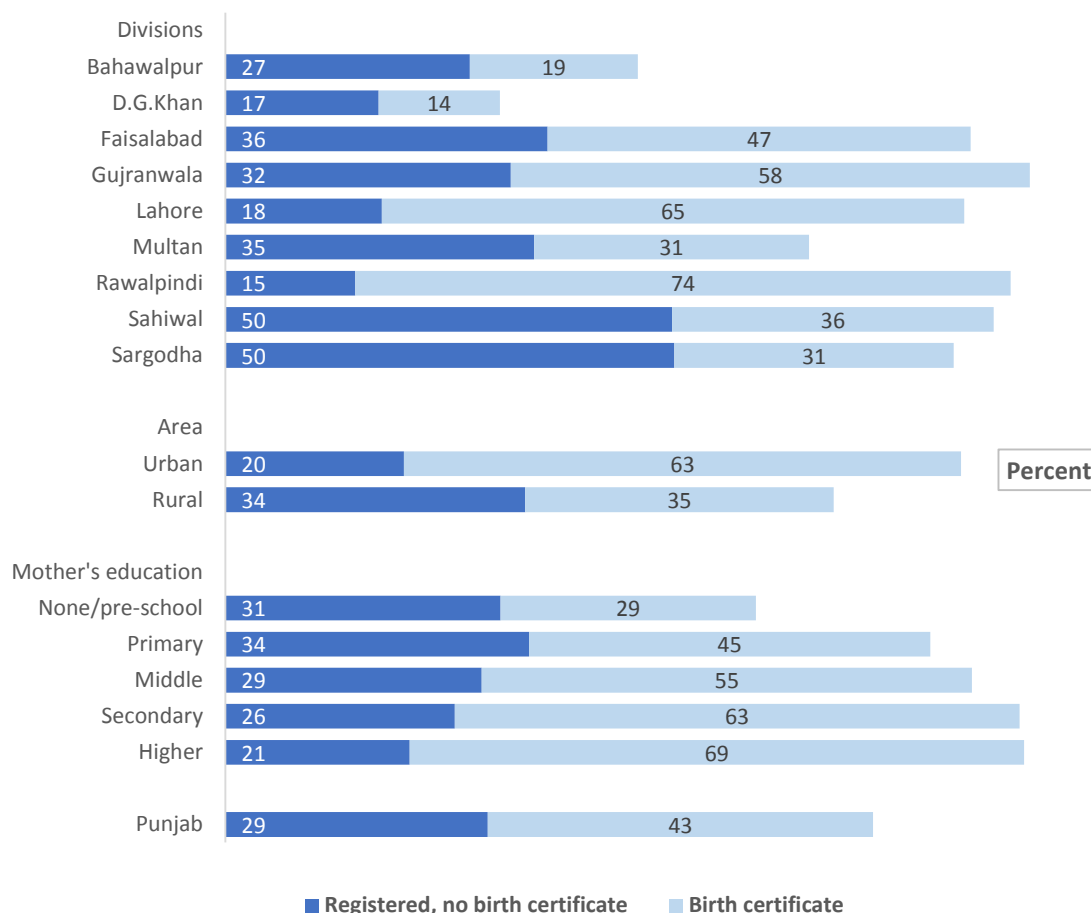
<sup>61</sup> UNICEF. 2013. *Every Child's Birth Right: Inequities and trends in birth registration*. UNICEF.

| Table CP.1: Birth registration   |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
|--|---|----------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Percentage of children under age 5 by whether birth is registered and percentage of children not registered whose mothers/caretakers know how to register birth, Punjab, 2014. |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Division   | Children under age 5 whose birth is registered with civil authorities |          |                      |                               | Number of children under age 5 | Children under age 5 whose birth is not registered                     |   |
|  | Has birth certificate   |          | No birth certificate | Total registered <sup>1</sup> |                                | Percent of children whose mother/caretaker knows how to register birth | Number of children under age 5 without birth registration |
|  | Seen  | Not seen |                      |                               |                                |  |   |
| Bahawalpur   | 4.8   | 14.0     | 27.4                 | 46.3                          | 3,080                          | 10.8   | 1,655   |
| D.G. Khan  | 3.1   | 10.5     | 17.2                 | 30.8                          | 3,151                          | 24.0   | 2,181   |
| Faisalabad   | 19.7  | 27.8     | 36.2                 | 83.6                          | 3,272                          | 55.3   | 536   |
| Gujranwala   | 36.1  | 22.1     | 32.0                 | 90.3                          | 4,100                          | 65.0   | 399   |
| Lahore   | 29.5  | 35.9     | 17.5                 | 82.9                          | 4,670                          | 60.9   | 798   |
| Multan   | 14.4  | 16.5     | 34.6                 | 65.5                          | 3,019                          | 41.1   | 1,043   |
| Rawalpindi   | 53.2  | 20.3     | 14.6                 | 88.1                          | 2,165                          | 65.5   | 258   |
| Sahiwal  | 19.0  | 17.1     | 50.1                 | 86.2                          | 2,032                          | 64.8   | 280   |
| Sargodha   | 12.4  | 19.0     | 50.4                 | 81.7                          | 2,005                          | 64.6   | 366   |
| Punjab   | 21.7  | 21.5     | 29.4                 | 72.7                          | 27,495                         | 36.7   | 7,516   |
| <sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.1 - Birth registration   |   |          |                      |                               |                                |  |   |

The births of 73 percent of children under five years in MICS Punjab, 2014 is observed to have been registered (Table CP.1). Registration of birth becomes more likely as a child grows older. There are no significant variations in birth registration depending on the sex of the child. Birth registration ranges from 31 percent in D.G Khan division to 90 percent in Gujranwala division. In urban areas, 83 percent of children are registered compared to 68 percent in rural areas.

In addition, child registration is highly associated with household wealth and mother's education. For example, 90 percent of children living in the households in the highest quintile are registered compared to 46 percent of children living in the households in the lowest quintile. There are significant differences between the proportion of children whose births are reported as registered and those who actually have a birth certificate. Overall, only 43 percent of children possess a birth certificate. These findings are also presented in Figure CP.1.

**Figure CP.1: Children under-5 whose births are registered, MICS Punjab, 2014**



The lack of adequate knowledge of how to register a child can present major obstacle to the fulfilment of a child's right to identity. Data show that only that 63 percent of mothers of unregistered children report not knowing how to register a child's birth, which points to presence of other barriers to birth registration. This proportion rises to 89 percent in Bahawalpur division.

### Child Labour

Children around the world are routinely engaged in paid and unpaid forms of work that are not harmful to them. However, they are classified as child labourers when they are either too young to work or are involved in hazardous activities that may compromise their physical, mental, social or educational development. Article 32 (1) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child states: *"States Parties recognize the right of the child to be protected from economic exploitation and from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development"*.

The child labour module was administered for children age 5-17 years and includes questions on the type of work a child does and the number of hours he or she is engaged in it. Data are collected on both economic activities – paid or unpaid work for someone who is not a member of the household, work for

a family farm or business and domestic work (household chores such as cooking, cleaning or caring for children, as well as collecting firewood or fetching water). The module also collects information on hazardous working conditions.<sup>62, 63</sup>

Table CP.2 describes children's involvement in economic activities. The methodology of the MICS Indicator on Child Labour uses three age-specific thresholds for the number of hours a child can perform economic activity without it being classified as in child labour. A child that performed economic activities during the last week for more than the age-specific number of hours (see below) is classified as in child labour:

- i. age 5-11: 1 hour or more
- ii. age 12-14: 14 hours or more
- iii. age 15-17: 43 hours or more

From the results, 8 percent of children age 5-11 are working for at least one hour, 9 percent of children age 12-14 years are engaged in economic activities for at least 14 hours while 5 percent of children age 15-17 worked for 43 hours or more. Child labour across all the three age groups is higher among boys than girls. Similarly child labour is much higher among children who are not attending school, those whose mother have pre-school or no education and those living in households in the lowest quintile.

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<sup>62</sup> UNICEF. 2012. *How Sensitive Are Estimates of Child Labour to Definitions?* MICS Methodological Paper No. 1. UNICEF.

<sup>63</sup> The Child Labour module and the Child Discipline module were administered using random selection of a single child in all households with one or more children age 1-17 (See Appendix G: Questionnaires). The Child Labour module was administered if the selected child was age 5-17 and the Child Discipline module if the child was age 1-14 years old. To account for the random selection, the household sample weight is multiplied by the total number of children age 1-17 in each household.

| <b>Table CP.2: Children's involvement in economic activities</b>   |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|
| Percentage of children by involvement in economic activities during the last week, according to age groups, Punjab, 2014.                |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
|  | Percentage of children age 5-11 years involved in economic activity for at least one hour | Number of children age 5-11 years | <b>Percentage of children age 12-14 years involved in:</b> |  | Number of children age 12-14 years | <b>Percentage of children age 15-17 years involved in:</b> |  | Number of children age 15-17 years |
|  |   |                                   | Economic activity less than 14 hours                       | Economic activity for 14 hours or more |                                    | Economic activity less than 43 hours                       | Economic activity for 43 hours or more |                                    |
| <b>Punjab</b>  | 8.4   | 42,013                            | 13.3   | 9.1                                    | 17,779                             | 25.4   | 5.2                                    | 15,176                             |
| <b>Area of residence</b>   |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Rural  | 10.6  | 29,637                            | 17.3   | 11.3                                   | 12,053                             | 32.2   | 5.3                                    | 9,964                              |
| All Urban  | 3.2   | 12,376                            | 5.0  | 4.5                                    | 5,727                              | 12.3   | 5.2                                    | 5,212                              |
| Major Cities   | 2.9   | 6,186                             | 3.8  | 5.1                                    | 2,907                              | 12.5   | 5.1                                    | 2,690                              |
| Other Urban  | 3.5   | 6,190                             | 6.1  | 3.9                                    | 2,820                              | 12.1   | 5.2                                    | 2,522                              |
| <b>Sex</b>   |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Male   | 10.6  | 21,785                            | 15.6   | 12.5                                   | 9,243                              | 31.3   | 9.3                                    | 7,633                              |
| Female   | 6.1   | 20,228                            | 10.8   | 5.4                                    | 8,536                              | 19.4   | 1.1                                    | 7,543                              |
| <b>School attendance</b>   |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Yes  | 6.9   | 33,602                            | 11.5   | 3.6                                    | 12,455                             | 16.4   | 0.6                                    | 7,737                              |
| No   | 14.6  | 8,411                             | 17.5   | 21.9                                   | 5,325                              | 34.8   | 10.1                                   | 7,439                              |
| <b>Mother's education</b>  |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| None/pre-school  | 11.4  | 24,632                            | 17.0   | 12.0                                   | 11,530                             | 31.5   | 6.1                                    | 9,519                              |
| Primary  | 6.0   | 6,837                             | 8.8  | 5.3                                    | 2,892                              | 16.6   | 5.2                                    | 2,121                              |
| Middle   | 4.5   | 3,277                             | 7.3  | 3.6                                    | 1,152                              | 13.9   | 4.6                                    | 853                                |
| Secondary  | 2.7   | 4,039                             | 3.6  | 2.9                                    | 1,274                              | 10.7   | 0.5                                    | 1,013                              |
| Higher   | 1.7   | 3,229                             | 2.7  | 0.7                                    | 931                                | 3.3  | 0.0                                    | 628                                |
| Cannot be determined <sup>a</sup>  | na  | na                                | na   | na                                     | na                                 | 24.6   | 6.2                                    | 1,041                              |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>   |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Lowest   | 16.4  | 10,612                            | 22.8   | 19.6                                   | 3,929                              | 46.2   | 9.0                                    | 2,728                              |
| Second   | 10.3  | 8,774                             | 18.3   | 10.0                                   | 3,955                              | 35.3   | 4.9                                    | 3,166                              |
| Middle   | 6.6   | 8,280                             | 11.3   | 7.3                                    | 3,574                              | 22.8   | 4.8                                    | 3,333                              |
| Fourth   | 3.7   | 7,622                             | 6.8  | 4.0                                    | 3,402                              | 15.5   | 6.0                                    | 3,062                              |
| Highest  | 1.0   | 6,725                             | 3.7  | 1.9                                    | 2,919                              | 8.4  | 1.8                                    | 2,886                              |
| <b>Division</b>  |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |
| Bahawalpur   | 5.7   | 4,559                             | 10.2   | 9.2                                    | 2,098                              | 24.3   | 4.0                                    | 1,457                              |
| D.G. Khan  | 17.4  | 5,020                             | 24.6   | 16.3                                   | 1,885                              | 45.4   | 8.6                                    | 1,446                              |
| Faisalabad   | 11.5  | 4,989                             | 17.1   | 9.2                                    | 2,142                              | 26.5   | 6.0                                    | 1,951                              |
| Gujranwala   | 6.5   | 6,017                             | 9.8  | 7.6                                    | 2,621                              | 25.2   | 5.2                                    | 2,397                              |
| Lahore   | 5.1   | 7,124                             | 9.0  | 7.7                                    | 3,087                              | 16.4   | 5.1                                    | 2,786                              |
| Multan   | 7.3   | 5,326                             | 16.0   | 9.6                                    | 2,055                              | 27.1   | 2.6                                    | 1,523                              |
| Rawalpindi   | 5.0   | 2,948                             | 8.6  | 2.6                                    | 1,433                              | 15.6   | 2.0                                    | 1,366                              |
| Sahiwal  | 9.2   | 2,968                             | 12.3   | 11.7                                   | 1,168                              | 26.9   | 8.4                                    | 1,057                              |
| Sargodha   | 8.8   | 3,062                             | 14.8   | 8.6                                    | 1,291                              | 29.7   | 6.1                                    | 1,193                              |
| <sup>a</sup> Children age 15 or higher at the time of the interview whose mothers were not living in the household<br>na: not applicable |   |                                   |  |  |                                    |  |  |                                    |

Table CP.3 provides data on children's involvement in household chores. As for economic activity above, the methodology also uses age-specific thresholds for the number of hours a child can perform household chores without it being classified as child labour. A child that performed household chores during the last week for more than the age-specific number of hours is classified as in child labour:

- i. age 5-11 and age 12-14: 28 hours or more per week
- ii. age 15-17: 43 hours or more per week

Girls are more likely to perform household chores than boys across all three age groups. The percentage of children involved seem consistently higher for girls than boys. Generally, there is very low involvement of children in household chores for the number of hours classified for child labour.

| <b>Table CP.3: Children's involvement in household chores</b>  |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| Percentage of children by involvement in household chores during the last week, according to age groups, Punjab, 2014. |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
|  | <b>Percentage of children age 5-11 years involved in:</b> |                                       | <b>Number of children age 5-11 years</b> | <b>Percentage of children age 12-14 years involved in:</b> |                                       | <b>Number of children age 12-14 years</b> | <b>Percentage of children age 15-17 years involved in:</b> |                                       | <b>Number of children age 15-17 years</b> |
|  | Household chores less than 28 hours                       | Household chores for 28 hours or more |  | Household chores less than 28 hours                        | Household chores for 28 hours or more |   | Household chores less than 43 hours                        | Household chores for 43 hours or more |   |
| <b>Punjab</b>  | 66.0  | 0.8                                   | 42,013                                   | 82.4   | 3.2                                   | 17,779                                    | 87.0   | 1.1                                   | 15,176                                    |
| <b>Area of residence</b>   |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| Rural  | 66.9  | 0.9                                   | 29,637                                   | 81.9   | 4.0                                   | 12,053                                    | 86.8   | 1.3                                   | 9,964                                     |
| All Urban  | 64.0  | 0.5                                   | 12,376                                   | 83.3   | 1.6                                   | 5,727                                     | 87.3   | 0.9                                   | 5,212                                     |
| Major Cities   | 63.3  | 0.4                                   | 6,186                                    | 84.7   | 1.4                                   | 2,907                                     | 87.3   | 1.5                                   | 2,690                                     |
| Other Urban  | 64.7  | 0.6                                   | 6,190                                    | 81.9   | 1.7                                   | 2,820                                     | 87.4   | 0.3                                   | 2,522                                     |
| <b>Sex</b>   |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| Male   | 65.0  | 0.5                                   | 21,785                                   | 81.2   | 0.8                                   | 9,243                                     | 82.3   | 0.3                                   | 7,633                                     |
| Female   | 67.2  | 1.1                                   | 20,228                                   | 83.6   | 5.8                                   | 8,536                                     | 91.7   | 2.0                                   | 7,543                                     |
| <b>School attendance</b>   |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| Yes  | 68.0  | 0.4                                   | 33,602                                   | 84.8   | 1.2                                   | 12,455                                    | 88.9   | 0.4                                   | 7,737                                     |
| No   | 58.4  | 2.4                                   | 8,411                                    | 76.6   | 7.8                                   | 5,325                                     | 85.0   | 1.9                                   | 7,439                                     |
| <b>Mother's education</b>  |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| None/pre-school  | 66.1  | 1.1                                   | 24,632                                   | 82.0   | 3.7                                   | 11,530                                    | 86.7   | 1.0                                   | 9,519                                     |
| Primary  | 72.3  | 0.5                                   | 6,837                                    | 85.0   | 2.2                                   | 2,892                                     | 87.8   | 0.4                                   | 2,121                                     |
| Middle   | 65.1  | 0.5                                   | 3,277                                    | 83.7   | 3.2                                   | 1,152                                     | 88.6   | 0.3                                   | 853                                       |
| Secondary  | 65.3  | 0.1                                   | 4,039                                    | 78.3   | 3.2                                   | 1,274                                     | 88.7   | 1.1                                   | 1,013                                     |
| Higher   | 54.6  | 0.1                                   | 3,229                                    | 82.1   | 0.4                                   | 931                                       | 87.2   | 1.4                                   | 628                                       |
| Cannot be determined <sup>a</sup>  | na  | na                                    | na                                       | na   | na                                    | na  | 84.2   | 4.7                                   | 1,041                                     |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>   |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| Lowest   | 63.0  | 1.9                                   | 10,612                                   | 79.9   | 5.3                                   | 3,929                                     | 83.7   | 1.7                                   | 2,728                                     |
| Second   | 67.9  | 0.8                                   | 8,774                                    | 81.2   | 4.9                                   | 3,955                                     | 87.2   | 1.4                                   | 3,166                                     |
| Middle   | 71.5  | 0.4                                   | 8,280                                    | 84.6   | 2.3                                   | 3,574                                     | 89.0   | 0.7                                   | 3,333                                     |
| Fourth   | 67.2  | 0.4                                   | 7,622                                    | 84.0   | 1.3                                   | 3,402                                     | 86.4   | 0.7                                   | 3,062                                     |
| Highest  | 60.5  | 0.0                                   | 6,725                                    | 82.6   | 1.3                                   | 2,919                                     | 88.0   | 1.4                                   | 2,886                                     |
| <b>Division</b>  |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| Bahawalpur   | 49.0  | 0.9                                   | 4,559                                    | 76.4   | 3.7                                   | 2,098                                     | 86.8   | 0.3                                   | 1,457                                     |
| D.G. Khan  | 54.7  | 2.0                                   | 5,020                                    | 74.8   | 4.3                                   | 1,885                                     | 81.6   | 0.8                                   | 1,446                                     |
| Faisalabad   | 77.5  | 1.5                                   | 4,989                                    | 86.4   | 4.9                                   | 2,142                                     | 90.8   | 1.9                                   | 1,951                                     |
| Gujranwala   | 78.4  | 0.1                                   | 6,017                                    | 89.9   | 2.4                                   | 2,621                                     | 92.7   | 0.4                                   | 2,397                                     |
| Lahore   | 65.3  | 0.2                                   | 7,124                                    | 80.7   | 1.3                                   | 3,087                                     | 83.7   | 1.5                                   | 2,786                                     |
| Multan   | 69.2  | 0.4                                   | 5,326                                    | 89.1   | 3.0                                   | 2,055                                     | 90.6   | 1.2                                   | 1,523                                     |
| Rawalpindi   | 68.1  | 0.6                                   | 2,948                                    | 84.0   | 3.6                                   | 1,433                                     | 88.9   | 1.9                                   | 1,366                                     |
| Sahiwal  | 58.3  | 1.6                                   | 2,968                                    | 73.7   | 2.7                                   | 1,168                                     | 77.9   | 1.4                                   | 1,057                                     |
| Sargodha   | 69.1  | 0.3                                   | 3,062                                    | 80.1   | 4.3                                   | 1,291                                     | 84.5   | 0.7                                   | 1,193                                     |
| <sup>a</sup> Children age 15 or higher at the time of the interview whose mothers were not living in the household     |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |
| na: not applicable   |   |                                       |  |  |                                       |   |  |                                       |   |

Table CP.4 combines the children working and performing household chores at or above and below the age-specific thresholds as detailed in the previous tables, as well as those children reported working under hazardous conditions, into the total child labour indicator.

Overall, 16 percent of the children 5-17 years are involved in child labour. Children are more likely to be involved in child labour as they grow older; 28 percent of children age 15-17 are involved in child labour compared to 9 percent among children age 5-11. At divisional level, 10 percent of children in Rawalpindi division are involved in child labour compared to 30 percent in DG Khan division. Child labour is also higher in rural areas (20%) than urban areas (8%). The survey results also show that boys are more likely to be involved in child labour than girls (19% and 10% respectively). As expected child labour is higher among children not currently attending school, those whose mother's education is low and children living in the households in the lowest quintile.

| <b>Table CP.4: Child labour</b>  |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Percentage of children age 5-17 years by involvement in economic activities or household chores during the last week, percentage working under hazardous conditions during the last week, and percentage engaged in child labour during the last week, Punjab, 2014. |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
|  | Children involved in economic activities for a total number of hours during last week: |  | Children involved in household chores for a total number of hours during last week: |  | Children working under hazardous conditions | Total child labour <sup>1</sup> | Number of children age 5-17 years |
|  | Below the age specific threshold   | At or above the age specific threshold | Below the age specific threshold  | At or above the age specific threshold |   |                                 |                                   |
| <b>Punjab</b>  | 8.6  | 7.9                                    | 74.1  | 1.4                                    | 14.3  | 16.4                            | 74,968                            |
| <b>Area of residence</b>   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| Rural  | 10.6   | 9.7                                    | 74.2  | 1.7                                    | 18.1  | 20.3                            | 51,654                            |
| All Urban  | 4.2  | 4.0                                    | 74.0  | 0.8                                    | 6.0   | 7.6                             | 23,315                            |
| Major Cities   | 4.1  | 3.9                                    | 74.1  | 0.9                                    | 5.0   | 6.7                             | 11,783                            |
| Other Urban  | 4.4  | 4.0                                    | 73.9  | 0.8                                    | 7.0   | 8.4                             | 11,532                            |
| <b>Sex</b>   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| Male   | 10.2   | 10.8                                   | 72.3  | 0.5                                    | 18.8  | 20.3                            | 38,661                            |
| Female   | 6.9  | 4.9                                    | 76.1  | 2.4                                    | 9.5   | 12.2                            | 36,307                            |
| <b>Age</b>   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| 5-11   | 0.6  | 8.4                                    | 66.0  | 0.8                                    | 7.4   | 9.3                             | 42,013                            |
| 12-14  | 13.3   | 9.1                                    | 82.4  | 3.2                                    | 19.8  | 22.9                            | 17,779                            |
| 15-17  | 25.4   | 5.2                                    | 87.0  | 1.1                                    | 27.0  | 28.2                            | 15,176                            |
| <b>School attendance</b>   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| Yes  | 5.4  | 5.2                                    | 74.9  | 0.6                                    | 8.7   | 10.1                            | 53,794                            |
| No   | 16.8   | 14.9                                   | 72.3  | 3.6                                    | 28.6  | 32.3                            | 21,174                            |
| <b>Mother's education</b>  |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| None/pre-school  | 11.2   | 10.4                                   | 74.4  | 1.7                                    | 19.1  | 21.6                            | 45,681                            |
| Primary  | 5.2  | 5.7                                    | 78.2  | 0.9                                    | 8.9   | 10.5                            | 11,850                            |
| Middle   | 4.1  | 4.3                                    | 72.9  | 1.1                                    | 6.6   | 8.1                             | 5,282                             |
| Secondary  | 2.8  | 2.4                                    | 71.7  | 0.9                                    | 3.8   | 5.2                             | 6,326                             |
| Higher   | 1.4  | 1.3                                    | 64.2  | 0.3                                    | 1.5   | 2.2                             | 4,788                             |
| Cannot be determined <sup>a</sup>  | 24.6   | 6.2                                    | 84.2  | 4.7                                    | 25.3  | 27.5                            | 1,041                             |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| Lowest   | 12.9   | 15.9                                   | 70.1  | 2.7                                    | 26.5  | 29.8                            | 17,269                            |
| Second   | 12.0   | 9.1                                    | 75.1  | 1.9                                    | 18.5  | 21.1                            | 15,896                            |
| Middle   | 7.8  | 6.4                                    | 78.4  | 0.9                                    | 11.9  | 13.7                            | 15,187                            |
| Fourth   | 5.4  | 4.3                                    | 75.4  | 0.7                                    | 7.5   | 8.8                             | 14,087                            |
| Highest  | 3.0  | 1.4                                    | 72.0  | 0.6                                    | 2.8   | 3.6                             | 12,530                            |
| <b>Division</b>  |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| Bahawalpur   | 7.1  | 6.3                                    | 62.9  | 1.5                                    | 12.4  | 14.5                            | 8,114                             |
| D.G. Khan  | 14.0   | 15.6                                   | 63.9  | 2.3                                    | 27.5  | 30.1                            | 8,352                             |
| Faisalabad   | 9.9  | 9.8                                    | 82.5  | 2.4                                    | 16.0  | 19.6                            | 9,082                             |
| Gujranwala   | 8.1  | 6.5                                    | 84.2  | 0.7                                    | 12.4  | 14.0                            | 11,034                            |
| Lahore   | 6.2  | 5.7                                    | 72.9  | 0.7                                    | 9.1   | 10.6                            | 12,996                            |
| Multan   | 8.5  | 7.0                                    | 77.4  | 1.2                                    | 13.6  | 15.3                            | 8,904                             |
| Rawalpindi   | 6.2  | 3.7                                    | 77.0  | 1.7                                    | 8.2   | 9.9                             | 5,748                             |
| Sahiwal  | 8.4  | 9.6                                    | 65.8  | 1.8                                    | 16.2  | 18.3                            | 5,193                             |
| Sargodha   | 10.5   | 8.2                                    | 75.0  | 1.3                                    | 16.3  | 18.0                            | 5,546                             |
| <sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.2 - Child labour   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |
| <sup>a</sup> Children age 15 or higher at the time of the interview whose mothers were not living in the household   |  |  |   |  |   |                                 |                                   |

## Child Discipline

Teaching children self-control and acceptable behavior is an integral part of child discipline in all cultures. Positive parenting practices involve providing guidance on how to handle emotions or conflicts in manners that encourage judgment and responsibility and preserve children's self-esteem, physical and psychological integrity and dignity. Too often, however, children are raised through the use of punitive methods that rely on the use of physical force or verbal intimidation to obtain desired behaviors. Studies<sup>64</sup> have found that exposing children to violent discipline have harmful consequences, which range from immediate impacts to long-term harm that children carry forward into adult life. Violence hampers children's development, learning abilities and school performance; it inhibits positive relationships, provokes low self-esteem, emotional distress and depression; and, at times, it leads to risk taking and self-harm.

In the MICS, respondents to the household questionnaire were asked a series of questions on the methods adults in the household used to discipline a selected child during the past month.<sup>65</sup>

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<sup>64</sup> Straus, MA and Paschall MJ. 2009. *Corporal Punishment by Mothers and Development of Children's Cognitive Ability: A longitudinal study of two nationally representative age cohorts*. Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment & Trauma 18(5): 459-83.  
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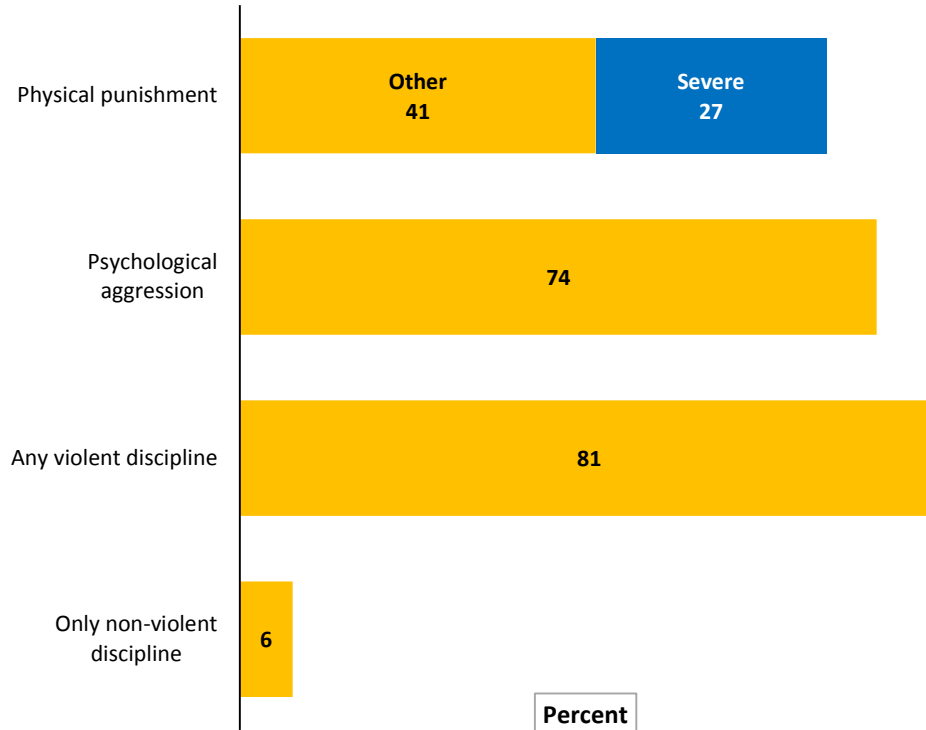
| Table CP.5: Child discipline   |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
|--|--|--------------------------|---------------------|--------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Percentage of children age 1-14 years by child disciplining methods experienced during the last one month, Punjab, 2014. |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
|  | Percentage of children age 1-14 years who experienced: |                          |                     |        |  | Number of children age 1-14 years |
|  | Only non-violent discipline                            | Psychological aggression | Physical punishment |        | Any violent discipline method <sup>1</sup> |                                   |
|  |  |                          | Any                 | Severe |  |                                   |
| Punjab   | 6.1  | 73.6                     | 67.7                | 26.6   | 80.7                                       | 85,311                            |
| Area of residence  |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| Rural  | 5.5  | 73.6                     | 67.8                | 25.6   | 80.6                                       | 59,176                            |
| All Urban  | 7.3  | 73.4                     | 67.6                | 29.0   | 81.0                                       | 26,135                            |
| Major Cities   | 7.5  | 73.6                     | 68.1                | 32.2   | 80.9                                       | 13,197                            |
| Other Urban  | 7.2  | 73.1                     | 67.0                | 25.8   | 81.0                                       | 12,938                            |
| Sex  |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| Male   | 5.4  | 74.8                     | 70.2                | 28.4   | 81.9                                       | 43,842                            |
| Female   | 6.8  | 72.2                     | 65.1                | 24.8   | 79.4                                       | 41,470                            |
| Age  |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| 1-2  | 6.1  | 55.2                     | 51.6                | 17.9   | 63.4                                       | 12,128                            |
| 3-4  | 4.9  | 74.9                     | 73.9                | 29.6   | 83.2                                       | 13,391                            |
| 5-9  | 4.9  | 79.3                     | 76.3                | 31.2   | 86.6                                       | 31,143                            |
| 10-14  | 7.9  | 74.5                     | 62.4                | 24.0   | 80.4                                       | 28,649                            |
| Education of household head <sup>a</sup>   |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| None/pre-school  | 4.7  | 74.0                     | 68.4                | 26.9   | 81.1                                       | 35,109                            |
| Primary  | 6.1  | 75.8                     | 69.9                | 28.5   | 81.8                                       | 15,204                            |
| Middle   | 6.4  | 74.3                     | 68.9                | 26.9   | 81.5                                       | 11,287                            |
| Secondary  | 7.2  | 72.8                     | 67.1                | 26.0   | 80.4                                       | 14,809                            |
| Higher   | 9.2  | 68.5                     | 61.0                | 23.2   | 76.6                                       | 8,874                             |
| Wealth index quintile  |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| Lowest   | 4.5  | 72.2                     | 66.0                | 22.6   | 78.8                                       | 20,400                            |
| Second   | 5.5  | 74.4                     | 69.6                | 27.0   | 81.8                                       | 17,865                            |
| Middle   | 5.8  | 75.6                     | 69.1                | 28.4   | 82.2                                       | 16,622                            |
| Fourth   | 6.2  | 75.3                     | 69.3                | 29.7   | 82.5                                       | 16,034                            |
| Highest  | 9.2  | 70.2                     | 64.5                | 26.5   | 78.2                                       | 14,390                            |
| Division   |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| Bahawalpur   | 7.0  | 68.7                     | 59.4                | 17.5   | 78.9                                       | 9,762                             |
| D.G. Khan  | 4.2  | 63.4                     | 58.0                | 13.6   | 70.2                                       | 9,876                             |
| Faisalabad   | 4.6  | 78.5                     | 71.0                | 32.2   | 84.2                                       | 10,026                            |
| Gujranwala   | 4.3  | 82.0                     | 76.4                | 34.0   | 88.4                                       | 12,379                            |
| Lahore   | 7.3  | 73.7                     | 71.5                | 39.1   | 80.1                                       | 14,568                            |
| Multan   | 7.3  | 71.7                     | 61.2                | 21.3   | 78.2                                       | 10,169                            |
| Rawalpindi   | 6.9  | 75.3                     | 68.9                | 21.4   | 83.4                                       | 6,353                             |
| Sahiwal  | 8.7  | 70.1                     | 71.8                | 30.4   | 80.0                                       | 5,984                             |
| Sargodha   | 5.4  | 76.8                     | 70.4                | 19.3   | 82.8                                       | 6,194                             |
| <sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.3 - Violent discipline   |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |
| <sup>a</sup> Total includes 26 unweighted cases of household head's education missing                                    |  |                          |                     |        |  |                                   |

It is observed that majority (81%) of the children age 1-14 years were subjected to at least one form of psychological or physical punishment by household members during the past month (Table CP.5).

For the most part, households employ a combination of violent disciplinary practices, reflecting caregivers' motivation to control children's behaviour by any means possible. While 74 percent of children experienced psychological aggression, 68 percent of children received physical punishment. The most severe forms of physical punishment (hitting the child on the head, ears or face or hitting the child hard and repeatedly) were given to 27 percent of children.

Male children were subjected to physical discipline more than female children (70% and 65% respectively). Figure CP.2 depicts the child discipline methods.

**Figure CP.2: Child disciplining methods, children age 1-14 years, MICS Punjab, 2014**



While violent methods are extremely common forms of discipline, Table CP.6 reveals that only 34 percent of respondents believe that physical punishment is a necessary part of child-rearing. No clear trend in this regard is found with respect to respondent's education, age, sex and relationship with the child as well as household wealth.

**Table CP.6: Attitudes toward physical punishment**

Percentage of respondents to the child discipline module who believe that physical punishment is needed to bring up, raise, or educate a child properly, Punjab, 2014.

|  | Respondent<br>believes that a child<br>needs to be<br>physically punished | Number of<br>respondents to the<br>child discipline<br>module |
|--|---|---|
| <b>Punjab</b>                                      | 34.2  | 26,143  |
| <b>Area of residence</b>                           |   |   |
| Rural  | 37.2  | 17,650  |
| All Urban  | 28.0  | 8,493   |
| Major Cities                                       | 25.6  | 4,392   |
| Other Urban  | 30.7  | 4,101   |
| <b>Sex</b>   |   |   |
| Male   | 34.6  | 4,917   |
| Female   | 34.1  | 21,226  |
| <b>Age</b>   |   |   |
| <25  | 31.3  | 3,041   |
| 25-39  | 34.6  | 14,005  |
| 40-59  | 34.9  | 7,807   |
| 60+  | 32.8  | 1,290   |
| <b>Respondent's relationship to selected child</b> |   |   |
| Mother   | 35.5  | 16,590  |
| Father   | 34.1  | 3,350   |
| Other <sup>a</sup>                                 | 30.9  | 6,203   |
| <b>Respondent's education</b>                      |   |   |
| None/pre-school                                    | 39.9  | 12,457  |
| Primary  | 35.2  | 4,416   |
| Middle   | 30.7  | 2,533   |
| Secondary  | 26.7  | 3,570   |
| Higher   | 21.7  | 3,168   |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>                       |   |   |
| Lowest   | 41.1  | 5,776   |
| Second   | 39.2  | 5,310   |
| Middle   | 35.6  | 5,089   |
| Fourth   | 30.7  | 5,086   |
| Highest  | 22.9  | 4,882   |
| <b>Division</b>                                    |   |   |
| Bahawalpur   | 30.6  | 2,897   |
| D.G. Khan  | 33.9  | 2,596   |
| Faisalabad   | 43.0  | 3,231   |
| Gujranwala   | 41.6  | 3,750   |
| Lahore   | 27.6  | 4,522   |
| Multan   | 32.4  | 3,195   |
| Rawalpindi   | 29.7  | 2,231   |
| Sahiwal  | 42.1  | 1,792   |
| Sargodha   | 27.6  | 1,929   |

<sup>a</sup> The question is asked to a single respondent in all households where at least one child age 1-14 years is living. The respondent is not necessarily a parent or caretaker of such a child and may not necessarily have responded to the child discipline module about his/her own child.

## Early Marriage and Polygyny

Marriage<sup>66</sup> before the age of 18 is a reality for many young girls. In many parts of the world parents encourage the marriage of their daughters while they are still children in hopes that the marriage will benefit them both financially and socially, while also relieving financial burdens on the family. In actual fact, child marriage is a violation of human rights, compromising the development of girls and often resulting in early pregnancy and social isolation, with little education and poor vocational training reinforcing the gendered nature of poverty.<sup>67</sup> The right to 'free and full' consent to a marriage is recognized in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights - with the recognition that consent cannot be 'free and full' when one of the parties involved is not sufficiently mature to make an informed decision about a life partner. Closely related to the issue of child marriage is the age at which girls become sexually active. Women who are married before the age of 18 tend to have more children than those who marry later in life. Pregnancy related deaths are known to be a leading cause of mortality for both married and unmarried girls between the ages of 15 and 19, particularly among the youngest of this cohort. There is evidence to suggest that girls who marry at young ages are more likely to marry older men which puts them at increased risk of HIV infection. The demand for this young wife to reproduce and the power imbalance resulting from the age differential lead to very low condom use among such couples.<sup>68</sup>

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<sup>66</sup> All references to marriage in this chapter include marital union as well.

<sup>67</sup> Bajracharya, A ND Amin, S. 2010. *Poverty, marriage timing, and transitions to adulthood in Nepal: A longitudinal analysis using the Nepal living standards survey*. Poverty, Gender, and Youth Working Paper No. 19. Population Council.

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<sup>68</sup> Clark, S et al. 2006. *Protecting young women from HIV/AIDS: the case against child and adolescent marriage*. *International Family Planning Perspectives* 32(2): 79-88.

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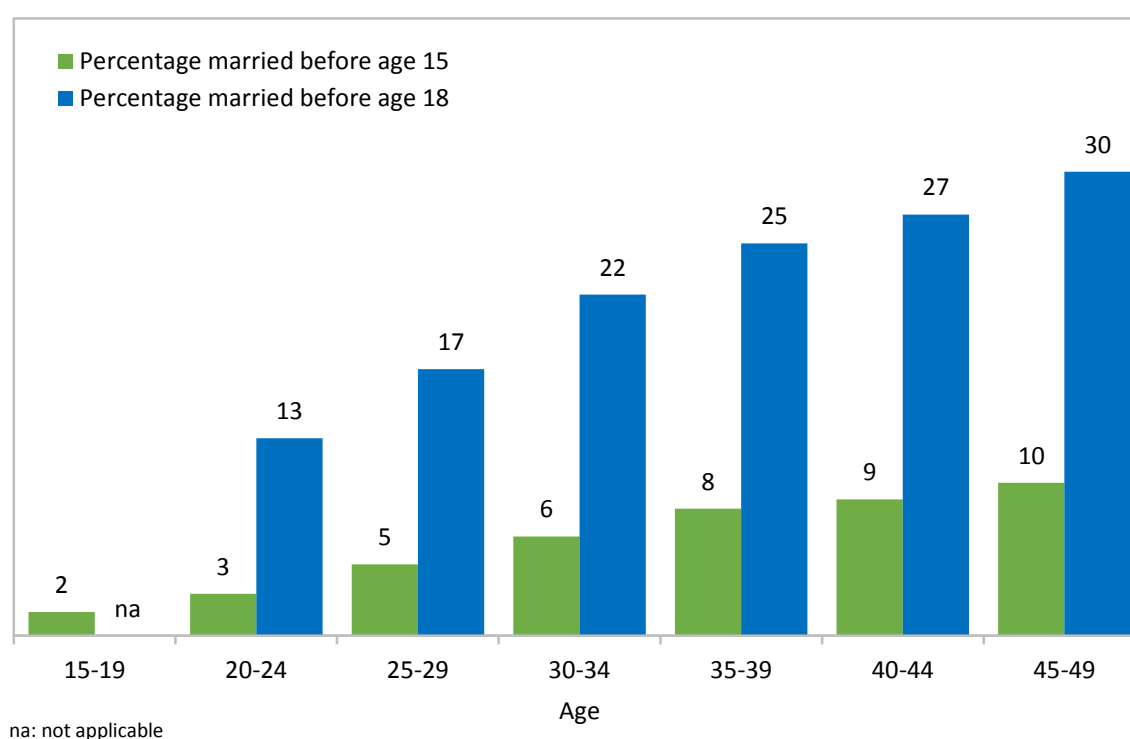
| <b>Table CP.7: Early marriage and polygyny (women)</b>  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
|---|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Percentage of women age 15-49 years who first married before their 15th birthday, percentages of women age 20-49 years who first married before their 15th and 18th birthdays, percentage of women age 15-19 years currently married, and the percentage of women who are in a polygynous marriage, Punjab, 2014. |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
|   | <b>Women age 15-49 years</b>                  |                                 | <b>Women age 20-49 years</b>     |   |                                 | <b>Women age 15-19 years</b>              |                                 | <b>Women age 15-49 years</b>                   |   |
|   | Percentage married before age 15 <sup>1</sup> | Number of women age 15-49 years | Percentage married before age 15 | Percentage married before age 18 <sup>2</sup> | Number of women age 20-49 years | Percentage currently married <sup>3</sup> | Number of women age 15-19 years | Percentage in polygynous marriage <sup>4</sup> | Number of women age 15-49 years currently married |
| <b>Punjab</b>   | 5.2   | 53,668                          | 6.1                              | 20.8  | 42,510                          | 9.2                                       | 11,158                          | 2.5  | 33,047  |
| <b>Area of residence</b>  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| Rural   | 5.7   | 35,043                          | 6.7                              | 22.6  | 27,574                          | 10.5                                      | 7,469                           | 2.8  | 21,859  |
| All Urban   | 4.2   | 18,625                          | 5.0                              | 17.7  | 14,935                          | 6.5                                       | 3,690                           | 1.9  | 11,188  |
| Major Cities  | 4.0   | 9,781                           | 4.7                              | 16.8  | 7,955                           | 6.3                                       | 1,826                           | 1.8  | 5,978   |
| Other Urban   | 4.4   | 8,844                           | 5.3                              | 18.7  | 6,981                           | 6.7                                       | 1,863                           | 2.1  | 5,210   |
| <b>Age</b>  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| 15-19   | 1.5   | 11,158                          | na                               | na  | na                              | 9.2                                       | 11,158                          | 1.2  | 1,021   |
| 20-24   | 2.7   | 9,960                           | 2.7                              | 12.8  | 9,960                           | na  | na                              | 1.7  | 3,963   |
| 25-29   | 4.6   | 9,114                           | 4.6                              | 17.3  | 9,114                           | na  | na                              | 2.1  | 6,833   |
| 30-34   | 6.4   | 7,558                           | 6.4                              | 22.1  | 7,558                           | na  | na                              | 2.5  | 6,837   |
| 35-39   | 8.2   | 6,251                           | 8.2                              | 25.4  | 6,251                           | na  | na                              | 3.0  | 5,807   |
| 40-44   | 8.8   | 5,078                           | 8.8                              | 27.3  | 5,078                           | na  | na                              | 3.4  | 4,637   |
| 45-49   | 9.9   | 4,548                           | 9.9                              | 30.1  | 4,548                           | na  | na                              | 2.7  | 3,948   |
| <b>Women's education<sup>a</sup></b>  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| None/pre-school   | 9.7   | 20,887                          | 10.3                             | 31.2  | 18,675                          | 19.1                                      | 2,213                           | 3.2  | 16,331  |
| Primary   | 4.2   | 9,296                           | 5.0                              | 21.1  | 7,231                           | 12.9                                      | 2,065                           | 2.1  | 5,902   |
| Middle  | 3.1   | 5,714                           | 3.9                              | 17.4  | 3,945                           | 8.9                                       | 1,769                           | 1.8  | 3,051   |
| Secondary   | 1.4   | 8,837                           | 2.0                              | 10.8  | 5,764                           | 4.3                                       | 3,073                           | 1.5  | 4,109   |
| Higher  | 0.4   | 8,916                           | 0.5                              | 2.8   | 6,880                           | 2.0                                       | 2,036                           | 1.5  | 3,640   |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| Lowest  | 8.5   | 9,264                           | 9.8                              | 29.4  | 7,346                           | 14.6                                      | 1,918                           | 3.4  | 6,328   |
| Second  | 6.1   | 10,341                          | 7.4                              | 25.1  | 8,046                           | 11.1                                      | 2,295                           | 2.6  | 6,444   |
| Middle  | 4.8   | 10,901                          | 5.7                              | 21.2  | 8,427                           | 8.9                                       | 2,474                           | 2.3  | 6,490   |
| Fourth  | 3.9   | 11,569                          | 4.7                              | 17.6  | 9,184                           | 6.9                                       | 2,385                           | 2.1  | 6,908   |
| Highest   | 3.2   | 11,593                          | 3.8                              | 13.4  | 9,506                           | 4.8                                       | 2,087                           | 2.1  | 6,876   |
| <b>Division</b>   |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| Bahawalpur  | 5.7   | 5,369                           | 6.9                              | 24.1  | 4,142                           | 9.9                                       | 1,227                           | 3.1  | 3,358   |
| D.G. Khan   | 9.0   | 4,563                           | 10.7                             | 30.7  | 3,608                           | 14.2                                      | 955                             | 6.0  | 3,175   |
| Faisalabad  | 4.2   | 6,796                           | 5.0                              | 17.5  | 5,334                           | 7.9                                       | 1,462                           | 1.4  | 4,029   |
| Gujranwala  | 3.6   | 8,328                           | 4.3                              | 16.8  | 6,551                           | 6.4                                       | 1,776                           | 1.5  | 4,901   |
| Lahore  | 4.3   | 9,685                           | 5.1                              | 18.8  | 7,671                           | 7.6                                       | 2,014                           | 2.0  | 6,024   |
| Multan  | 6.7   | 5,887                           | 7.9                              | 25.3  | 4,677                           | 10.3                                      | 1,210                           | 2.8  | 3,653   |
| Rawalpindi  | 4.4   | 5,086                           | 5.1                              | 18.4  | 4,178                           | 7.9                                       | 908                             | 2.4  | 3,067   |
| Sahiwal   | 5.2   | 3,685                           | 5.9                              | 20.5  | 2,945                           | 11.2                                      | 740                             | 2.9  | 2,265   |
| Sargodha  | 5.6   | 4,270                           | 6.5                              | 21.2  | 3,403                           | 11.7                                      | 867                             | 1.7  | 2,574   |
| <sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.4 - Marriage before age 15  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| <sup>2</sup> MICS indicator 8.5 - Marriage before age 18  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| <sup>3</sup> MICS indicator 8.6 - Young women age 15-19 years currently married   |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| <sup>4</sup> MICS indicator 8.7 - Polygyny  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| na: not applicable  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |
| <sup>a</sup> Total includes 11 unweighted cases of women's education missing  |   |                                 |                                  |   |                                 |   |                                 |  |   |

The percentage of women married at before ages 15 and 18 years are provided in Table CP.7. Among women age 15-49, 5 percent were married before age 15, and among women age 20-49 years, 21 percent were married before age 18.

Nearly one in ten young women (9%) age 15-19 are currently married. This proportion is slightly higher in rural (11%) than urban areas (7%) but is strongly related to the level of woman's education. The percentage of women in a polygamous marriage is also provided in Table CP.7. Among all currently married women age 15-49, 3 percent are in polygamous marriage.

Table CP.8 presents the proportion of women who are first married before age 15 and 18 by area and age groups. Examining the percentages of women married before age 15 and 18 by different age groups allow for trends to be observed in early marriage over time. Data show that the prevalence of the proportion of women married by age 15 and 18 has gradually declined over time: 31 percent of women age 45-49 were first married by age 18 compared to 15 percent of women age 20-24. Figure CP.3 illustrates the percentage of women married before 15 and 18 years respectively by age group.

**Figure CP.3: Early marriage among women, MICS Punjab, 2014**



**Table CP.8: Trends in early marriage (women)**

Percentage of women who were first married before age 15 and 18, by area and age groups, Punjab, 2014.

|                    | Rural                                     |                                 |   |                                 | Urban                                     |                                 |   |                                 | All                                       |                                 |   |                                 |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
|                    | Percentage of women married before age 15 | Number of women age 15-49 years | Percentage of women married before age 18 | Number of women age 20-49 years | Percentage of women married before age 15 | Number of women age 15-49 years | Percentage of women married before age 18 | Number of women age 20-49 years | Percentage of women married before age 15 | Number of women age 15-49 years | Percentage of women married before age 18 | Number of women age 20-49 years |
| <b>Punjab</b>      | 5.7                                       | 35,043                          | 22.6                                      | 27,574                          | 4.2                                       | 18,625                          | 17.7                                      | 14,935                          | 5.2                                       | 53,668                          | 20.8                                      | 42,510                          |
| <b>Age</b>         |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |
| 15-19              | 1.9                                       | 7,469                           | na  | na                              | 0.8                                       | 3,690                           | na  | na                              | 1.5                                       | 11,158                          | na  | na                              |
| 20-24              | 3.2                                       | 6,417                           | 14.5                                      | 6,417                           | 1.9                                       | 3,544                           | 9.8                                       | 3,544                           | 2.7                                       | 9,960                           | 12.8                                      | 9,960                           |
| 25-29              | 5.1                                       | 5,965                           | 19.5                                      | 5,965                           | 3.8                                       | 3,149                           | 13.1                                      | 3,149                           | 4.6                                       | 9,114                           | 17.3                                      | 9,114                           |
| 30-34              | 6.9                                       | 4,968                           | 23.7                                      | 4,968                           | 5.5                                       | 2,590                           | 19.0                                      | 2,590                           | 6.4                                       | 7,558                           | 22.1                                      | 7,558                           |
| 35-39              | 9.1                                       | 3,947                           | 27.5                                      | 3,947                           | 6.7                                       | 2,304                           | 21.9                                      | 2,304                           | 8.2                                       | 6,251                           | 25.4                                      | 6,251                           |
| 40-44              | 9.5                                       | 3,278                           | 28.6                                      | 3,278                           | 7.7                                       | 1,800                           | 24.8                                      | 1,800                           | 8.8                                       | 5,078                           | 27.3                                      | 5,078                           |
| 45-49              | 10.8                                      | 2,998                           | 30.9                                      | 2,998                           | 8.1                                       | 1,549                           | 28.5                                      | 1,549                           | 9.9                                       | 4,548                           | 30.1                                      | 4,548                           |
| na: not applicable |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |   |                                 |

Another component is the spousal age difference with the indicator being the percentage of married women 10 or more years younger than their current spouse. Table CP.9 presents the results of the age difference between husbands and wives. The results show that there are some important spousal age differences in MICS Punjab, 2014. Among currently married women age 20-24 years, 15 percent are married with a man who is older by ten years or more. For currently married women age 15-19 years, the corresponding figure is about 19 percent.



**Table CP.9: Spousal age difference**

Percent distribution of women currently married age 15-19 and 20-24 years according to the age difference with their husband, Punjab, 2014.

|                                      | Percentage of currently married women age 15-19 years whose husband is: |                 |                 |                              |                       |       | Number of women age 15-19 years currently married | Percentage of currently married women age 20-24 years whose husband is: |                 |                 |                              |                       |       | Number of women age 20-24 years currently married |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|---|---|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|---|
|                                      | Younger   | 0-4 years older | 5-9 years older | 10+ years older <sup>1</sup> | Husband's age unknown | Total |   | Younger   | 0-4 years older | 5-9 years older | 10+ years older <sup>2</sup> | Husband's age unknown | Total |   |
| <b>Punjab</b>                        | 4.3   | 46.3            | 29.4            | 18.8                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 1,021   | 8.3   | 47.9            | 27.9            | 14.6                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 3,963   |
| <b>Area of residence</b>             |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |
| Rural                                | 4.7   | 47.9            | 28.0            | 18.4                         | 1.0                   | 100.0 | 781   | 8.9   | 48.0            | 26.9            | 14.8                         | 1.4                   | 100.0 | 2,722   |
| All Urban                            | 2.9   | 41.0            | 33.8            | 20.2                         | 2.1                   | 100.0 | 241   | 6.8   | 47.8            | 30.1            | 14.2                         | 1.2                   | 100.0 | 1,241   |
| Major Cities                         | 2.5   | 43.3            | 31.3            | 20.4                         | 2.5                   | 100.0 | 115   | 6.2   | 47.8            | 32.3            | 12.6                         | 1.1                   | 100.0 | 634   |
| Other Urban                          | 3.2   | 38.8            | 36.1            | 20.1                         | 1.8                   | 100.0 | 125   | 7.4   | 47.7            | 27.8            | 15.9                         | 1.2                   | 100.0 | 607   |
| <b>Age</b>                           |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |
| 15-19                                | 4.3   | 46.3            | 29.4            | 18.8                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 1,021   | na  | na              | na              | na                           | na                    | na    | na  |
| 20-24                                | na  | na              | na              | na                           | na                    | na    | na  | 8.3   | 47.9            | 27.9            | 14.6                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 3,963   |
| <b>Women's education<sup>a</sup></b> |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |
| None/pre-school                      | 5.9   | 56.6            | 22.4            | 13.6                         | 1.5                   | 100.0 | 423   | 9.5   | 51.2            | 22.7            | 15.1                         | 1.5                   | 100.0 | 1,538   |
| Primary                              | 3.0   | 46.6            | 33.8            | 16.2                         | 0.5                   | 100.0 | 265   | 7.1   | 51.7            | 28.1            | 12.2                         | 0.9                   | 100.0 | 846   |
| Middle                               | 3.1   | 39.8            | 35.4            | 21.0                         | 0.6                   | 100.0 | 158   | 8.4   | 46.9            | 28.6            | 15.6                         | 0.5                   | 100.0 | 474   |
| Secondary                            | 4.5   | 25.0            | 34.5            | 32.7                         | 3.2                   | 100.0 | 132   | 8.3   | 45.7            | 29.5            | 15.5                         | 1.0                   | 100.0 | 643   |
| Higher                               | (0.0)   | (28.8)          | (34.8)          | (36.4)                       | (0.0)                 | 100.0 | 41  | 6.1   | 34.3            | 41.6            | 15.2                         | 2.8                   | 100.0 | 460   |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b>         |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |
| Lowest                               | 6.3   | 55.3            | 23.7            | 13.8                         | 0.9                   | 100.0 | 280   | 11.5  | 53.0            | 19.5            | 14.3                         | 1.6                   | 100.0 | 724   |
| Second                               | 4.0   | 51.0            | 26.1            | 17.5                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 256   | 9.8   | 47.2            | 28.2            | 13.4                         | 1.2                   | 100.0 | 861   |
| Middle                               | 4.2   | 40.3            | 32.0            | 22.9                         | 0.6                   | 100.0 | 221   | 8.7   | 50.2            | 25.0            | 15.1                         | 1.1                   | 100.0 | 819   |
| Fourth                               | 1.7   | 40.0            | 38.4            | 18.9                         | 1.1                   | 100.0 | 165   | 5.8   | 46.3            | 31.0            | 15.7                         | 1.2                   | 100.0 | 852   |
| Highest                              | 3.9   | 32.2            | 33.0            | 26.8                         | 4.1                   | 100.0 | 99  | 5.5   | 42.9            | 35.7            | 14.5                         | 1.4                   | 100.0 | 708   |
| <b>Division</b>                      |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |   |                 |                 |                              |                       |       |   |
| Bahawalpur                           | 6.8   | 61.3            | 18.3            | 13.6                         | 0.0                   | 100.0 | 122   | 7.9   | 55.9            | 25.4            | 10.3                         | 0.5                   | 100.0 | 365   |
| D.G. Khan                            | 5.5   | 53.7            | 26.0            | 13.8                         | 1.0                   | 100.0 | 136   | 11.5  | 51.0            | 23.2            | 13.5                         | 0.8                   | 100.0 | 413   |
| Faisalabad                           | 3.8   | 48.7            | 22.5            | 23.5                         | 1.5                   | 100.0 | 116   | 7.9   | 48.9            | 27.4            | 15.4                         | 0.4                   | 100.0 | 461   |
| Gujranwala                           | 1.5   | 46.8            | 31.2            | 19.0                         | 1.5                   | 100.0 | 114   | 7.9   | 49.6            | 29.2            | 12.1                         | 1.2                   | 100.0 | 564   |
| Lahore                               | 1.4   | 45.4            | 31.5            | 19.0                         | 2.8                   | 100.0 | 153   | 6.6   | 47.0            | 31.8            | 13.3                         | 1.3                   | 100.0 | 754   |
| Multan                               | 6.5   | 39.3            | 35.1            | 18.4                         | 0.7                   | 100.0 | 125   | 9.1   | 48.5            | 24.0            | 16.6                         | 1.8                   | 100.0 | 436   |
| Rawalpindi                           | 7.8   | 27.1            | 45.1            | 20.0                         | 0.0                   | 100.0 | 72  | 4.4   | 41.9            | 34.7            | 17.1                         | 1.9                   | 100.0 | 352   |
| Sahiwal                              | 3.7   | 48.7            | 26.8            | 20.3                         | 0.6                   | 100.0 | 83  | 10.7  | 40.1            | 28.3            | 19.5                         | 1.4                   | 100.0 | 297   |
| Sargodha                             | 3.0   | 36.5            | 33.7            | 24.3                         | 2.5                   | 100.0 | 101   | 10.1  | 45.5            | 23.7            | 17.6                         | 3.1                   | 100.0 | 322   |

<sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.8a - Spousal age difference (among women age 15-19)

<sup>2</sup> MICS indicator 8.8b - Spousal age difference (among women age 20-24)

na: not applicable

( ) Figures that are based on 25-49 unweighted cases

<sup>a</sup> Total includes 2 unweighted cases of women's education missing

## Attitudes toward Domestic Violence

MICS assessed the attitudes of women age 15-49 years towards wife beating by asking the respondents whether they think that husbands are justified to hit or beat their wives in a variety of situations. The purpose of these questions is to capture the social justification of violence (in contexts where women have a lower status in society) as a disciplinary action when a woman does not comply with certain expected gender roles.

The responses to these questions can be found in Table CP.10. Overall, 40 percent of women age 15-49 years believe that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife for any one of five reasons that she; (i) goes out without telling him, (ii) neglects the children, (iii) argues with him, (iv) refuses sex with him, and (v) burns the food. Women who justify a husband's violence, in most cases agree and justify violence in instances when a wife neglects the children (27%), or if she demonstrates her autonomy, exemplified by going out without telling her husband or arguing with him (26%). Around one in five (21%) of women believe that wife-beating is justified if the wife refuses to have sex with the husband and 15 percent favour wife-beating if she burns the food. The wife-beating in any of the five situations is justified by higher proportion of women living in the households in the lowest quintile, in rural areas and with less education.

**Table CP.10: Attitudes toward domestic violence (women)**

Percentage of women age 15-49 years who believe a husband is justified in beating his wife in various circumstances, Punjab, 2014.

|                              | Percentage of women age 15-49 years who believe a husband is justified in beating his wife: |                              |                        |                             |                       |  | Number of women age 15-49 years |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|
|                              | If she goes out without telling him   | If she neglects the children | If she argues with him | If she refuses sex with him | If she burns the food | For any of these five reasons <sup>1</sup> |                                 |
| <b>Punjab</b>                | 26.4  | 26.5                         | 27.7                   | 20.5                        | 14.8                  | 39.8                                       | 53,668                          |
| <b>Area of residence</b>     |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| Rural                        | 31.7  | 31.8                         | 33.0                   | 25.1                        | 18.6                  | 46.5                                       | 35,043                          |
| All Urban                    | 16.3  | 16.6                         | 17.7                   | 11.9                        | 7.5                   | 27.3                                       | 18,625                          |
| Major Cities                 | 11.6  | 12.1                         | 13.4                   | 8.5                         | 5.4                   | 20.8                                       | 9,781                           |
| Other Urban                  | 21.5  | 21.5                         | 22.6                   | 15.7                        | 9.9                   | 34.4                                       | 8,844                           |
| <b>Age</b>                   |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| 15-19                        | 21.9  | 22.4                         | 22.7                   | 12.1                        | 12.4                  | 34.8                                       | 11,158                          |
| 20-24                        | 23.0  | 23.1                         | 24.5                   | 16.1                        | 12.3                  | 35.9                                       | 9,960                           |
| 25-29                        | 26.0  | 26.3                         | 27.1                   | 21.8                        | 14.3                  | 39.8                                       | 9,114                           |
| 30-34                        | 28.0  | 28.5                         | 29.6                   | 23.7                        | 15.2                  | 41.9                                       | 7,558                           |
| 35-39                        | 29.6  | 29.4                         | 30.8                   | 25.3                        | 16.4                  | 43.1                                       | 6,251                           |
| 40-44                        | 31.0  | 30.6                         | 33.1                   | 27.1                        | 18.6                  | 45.3                                       | 5,078                           |
| 45-49                        | 32.9  | 33.0                         | 35.1                   | 29.2                        | 19.6                  | 46.6                                       | 4,548                           |
| <b>Marital status</b>        |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| Currently married            | 29.8  | 29.7                         | 31.2                   | 25.8                        | 16.5                  | 43.7                                       | 33,047                          |
| Formerly married             | 29.2  | 29.1                         | 31.4                   | 27.3                        | 17.8                  | 44.1                                       | 1,808                           |
| Never married                | 20.1  | 20.7                         | 21.2                   | 10.6                        | 11.4                  | 32.5                                       | 18,813                          |
| <b>Education<sup>a</sup></b> |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| None/pre-school              | 37.1  | 37.5                         | 39.2                   | 31.7                        | 23.2                  | 52.9                                       | 20,887                          |
| Primary                      | 29.2  | 29.3                         | 30.4                   | 21.7                        | 15.3                  | 43.4                                       | 9,296                           |
| Middle                       | 22.8  | 22.4                         | 23.3                   | 15.4                        | 11.3                  | 35.7                                       | 5,714                           |
| Secondary                    | 17.1  | 16.3                         | 17.8                   | 10.7                        | 7.1                   | 28.7                                       | 8,837                           |
| Higher                       | 9.7   | 10.6                         | 10.7                   | 6.3                         | 4.2                   | 19.2                                       | 8,916                           |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b> |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| Lowest                       | 40.3  | 41.2                         | 41.3                   | 34.2                        | 27.4                  | 56.6                                       | 9,264                           |
| Second                       | 34.7  | 35.2                         | 37.0                   | 28.3                        | 21.2                  | 50.5                                       | 10,341                          |
| Middle                       | 28.8  | 28.7                         | 29.8                   | 21.2                        | 14.9                  | 43.0                                       | 10,901                          |
| Fourth                       | 21.0  | 20.5                         | 22.4                   | 14.6                        | 9.2                   | 33.7                                       | 11,569                          |
| Highest                      | 10.8  | 11.1                         | 12.0                   | 7.9                         | 4.3                   | 20.0                                       | 11,593                          |
| <b>Division</b>              |   |                              |                        |                             |                       |  |                                 |
| Bahawalpur                   | 37.6  | 39.3                         | 37.5                   | 34.7                        | 23.3                  | 62.1                                       | 5,369                           |
| D.G. Khan                    | 30.4  | 29.1                         | 26.2                   | 20.0                        | 19.3                  | 40.3                                       | 4,563                           |
| Faisalabad                   | 29.4  | 29.9                         | 31.5                   | 21.6                        | 15.9                  | 42.4                                       | 6,796                           |
| Gujranwala                   | 29.5  | 27.0                         | 28.7                   | 18.2                        | 10.4                  | 41.9                                       | 8,328                           |
| Lahore                       | 15.9  | 15.8                         | 18.8                   | 12.6                        | 8.9                   | 27.2                                       | 9,685                           |
| Multan                       | 17.5  | 17.1                         | 20.0                   | 15.1                        | 9.9                   | 29.0                                       | 5,887                           |
| Rawalpindi                   | 15.2  | 14.6                         | 16.3                   | 12.4                        | 10.8                  | 23.4                                       | 5,086                           |
| Sahiwal                      | 42.4  | 46.3                         | 46.7                   | 41.0                        | 23.8                  | 59.5                                       | 3,685                           |
| Sargodha                     | 32.3  | 35.9                         | 37.5                   | 23.7                        | 22.7                  | 49.2                                       | 4,270                           |

<sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.12 - Attitudes towards domestic violence

<sup>a</sup> Total includes 15 unweighted cases of education missing

## Children's Living Arrangements

The CRC recognizes that “the child, for the full and harmonious development of his or her personality, should grow up in a family environment, in an atmosphere of happiness, love and understanding”. Millions of children around the world grow up without the care of their parents for several reasons, including due to the premature death of the parents or their migration for work. In most cases, these children are cared for by members of their extended families, while in others, children may be living in households other than their own, as live-in domestic workers for instance. Understanding the children's living arrangements, including the composition of the households where they live and the relationships with their primary caregivers, is key to design targeted interventions aimed at promoting child's care and wellbeing.

Table CP.11 presents information on the living arrangements and orphanhood status of children under age 18. Eighty eight percent of children age 0-17 years live with both their parents, 9 percent live with mothers only, 2 percent with fathers only, and less than 2 percent with neither of their biological parents. About 6 percent live with mothers only while the biological father is alive. Very few children have lost one or both parents. About 5 percent of children have one or both parents' dead.

As expected, older children are less likely than younger ones to live with both parents and slightly more likely than younger children to have lost one or both of the parents. Table CP.11 also shows that the percentage of children living with both parents ranges from 79 percent in Gujranwala to 91 percent each in Gujranwala and Bahawalpur division. Further to that, Gujranwala division has the highest percentage of children living with their mother only while the father is alive (16%). About 11 percent of children living in the wealthiest households live with their mother only while their father is alive. The corresponding proportion of such children living in the households in the lowest quintile is 3 percent. There are, however, only small differences between urban and rural areas in terms of living arrangements.

**Table CP.11: Children's living arrangements and orphanhood**

Percent distribution of children age 0-17 years according to living arrangements, percentage of children age 0-17 years not living with a biological parent and percentage of children who have one or both parents dead, Punjab, 2014.

|                              | Living with both parents | Living with neither biological parent |                   |            |           | Living with mother only |             | Living with father only |             | Missing information on father/mother | Total | Living with neither biological parent <sup>1</sup> | One or both parents dead <sup>2</sup> | Number of children age 0-17 years |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-------|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                              |                          | Only father alive                     | Only mother alive | Both alive | Both dead | Father alive            | Father dead | Mother alive            | Mother dead |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| <b>Punjab</b>                | 88.0                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.2       | 5.9                     | 2.9         | 0.3                     | 1.3         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.4  | 4.8                                   | 106,585                           |
| <b>Area of residence</b>     |                          |                                       |                   |            |           |                         |             |                         |             |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| Rural                        | 87.6                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 6.3                     | 2.8         | 0.4                     | 1.4         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.4  | 4.7                                   | 73,372                            |
| All Urban                    | 89.0                     | 0.3                                   | 0.2               | 1.0        | 0.2       | 4.8                     | 3.2         | 0.2                     | 1.1         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.5  | 4.9                                   | 33,213                            |
| Major Cities                 | 90.4                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 3.8                     | 3.2         | 0.1                     | 0.9         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.5  | 4.7                                   | 16,845                            |
| Other Urban                  | 87.5                     | 0.2                                   | 0.2               | 1.0        | 0.2       | 5.9                     | 3.3         | 0.3                     | 1.2         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.6  | 5.1                                   | 16,368                            |
| <b>Sex</b>                   |                          |                                       |                   |            |           |                         |             |                         |             |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| Male                         | 88.3                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.7        | 0.1       | 5.8                     | 3.0         | 0.3                     | 1.4         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.1  | 4.8                                   | 54,610                            |
| Female                       | 87.8                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 1.2        | 0.2       | 5.9                     | 2.8         | 0.3                     | 1.3         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.8  | 4.7                                   | 51,975                            |
| <b>Age</b>                   |                          |                                       |                   |            |           |                         |             |                         |             |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| 0-4                          | 91.0                     | 0.1                                   | 0.0               | 0.5        | 0.0       | 7.2                     | 0.7         | 0.2                     | 0.3         | 0.0                                  | 100.0 | 0.6  | 1.2                                   | 31,324                            |
| 5-9                          | 89.4                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 0.7        | 0.1       | 5.9                     | 2.1         | 0.3                     | 1.1         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.2  | 3.7                                   | 31,473                            |
| 10-14                        | 86.5                     | 0.3                                   | 0.2               | 1.0        | 0.1       | 5.1                     | 4.3         | 0.4                     | 1.9         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.6  | 6.9                                   | 28,665                            |
| 15-17                        | 82.0                     | 0.3                                   | 0.4               | 2.1        | 0.5       | 4.4                     | 6.6         | 0.5                     | 2.8         | 0.6                                  | 100.0 | 3.2  | 10.5                                  | 15,124                            |
| <b>Wealth index quintile</b> |                          |                                       |                   |            |           |                         |             |                         |             |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| Lowest                       | 90.9                     | 0.2                                   | 0.2               | 0.8        | 0.2       | 3.2                     | 2.7         | 0.3                     | 1.4         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.3  | 4.7                                   | 24,430                            |
| Second                       | 89.9                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 3.7                     | 2.7         | 0.3                     | 1.8         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.4  | 4.9                                   | 22,293                            |
| Middle                       | 88.2                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 1.0        | 0.2       | 5.0                     | 3.3         | 0.4                     | 1.4         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.5  | 5.2                                   | 21,147                            |
| Fourth                       | 85.8                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 8.0                     | 3.3         | 0.2                     | 1.0         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.5  | 4.8                                   | 20,305                            |
| Highest                      | 84.0                     | 0.2                                   | 0.2               | 1.0        | 0.2       | 10.5                    | 2.7         | 0.3                     | 0.9         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.6  | 4.1                                   | 18,411                            |
| <b>Division</b>              |                          |                                       |                   |            |           |                         |             |                         |             |                                      |       |  |                                       |                                   |
| Bahawalpur                   | 91.4                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 0.8        | 0.2       | 2.5                     | 2.9         | 0.2                     | 1.5         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.3  | 5.0                                   | 11,843                            |
| D.G. Khan                    | 88.1                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 7.0                     | 2.2         | 0.2                     | 1.2         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.3  | 3.8                                   | 11,995                            |
| Faisalabad                   | 90.4                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.8        | 0.1       | 3.7                     | 2.9         | 0.2                     | 1.5         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.1  | 4.8                                   | 12,775                            |
| Gujranwala                   | 78.8                     | 0.2                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.2       | 15.5                    | 2.9         | 0.4                     | 1.0         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.4  | 4.4                                   | 15,697                            |
| Lahore                       | 91.1                     | 0.3                                   | 0.2               | 0.9        | 0.1       | 2.7                     | 3.1         | 0.2                     | 1.2         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.6  | 4.9                                   | 18,395                            |
| Multan                       | 89.6                     | 0.2                                   | 0.2               | 1.0        | 0.2       | 3.4                     | 3.3         | 0.4                     | 1.6         | 0.2                                  | 100.0 | 1.5  | 5.5                                   | 12,353                            |
| Rawalpindi                   | 85.8                     | 0.1                                   | 0.0               | 0.7        | 0.1       | 8.4                     | 3.2         | 0.3                     | 1.1         | 0.3                                  | 100.0 | 0.9  | 4.5                                   | 8,209                             |
| Sahiwal                      | 88.3                     | 0.3                                   | 0.2               | 1.8        | 0.2       | 4.0                     | 2.9         | 0.5                     | 1.7         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 2.4  | 5.3                                   | 7,484                             |
| Sargodha                     | 89.8                     | 0.3                                   | 0.1               | 0.9        | 0.2       | 3.6                     | 3.1         | 0.4                     | 1.3         | 0.1                                  | 100.0 | 1.6  | 5.0                                   | 7,833                             |

<sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.13 - Children's living arrangements

<sup>2</sup> MICS indicator 8.14 - Prevalence of children with one or both parents dead

The survey included a simple measure of one particular aspect of migration related to what is termed children left behind, i.e. for whom one or both parents have moved abroad. While the amount of literature is growing, the long-term effects of the benefits of remittances versus the potential adverse psycho-social effects are not yet conclusive, as there is somewhat conflicting evidence available as to the effects on children.

Besides presenting simple prevalence rates, the results of the MICS Punjab, 2014 presented in Table CP.12 will greatly help fill the data gap on the topic of migration. About 4 percent of children age 0-17 have one or both parents living abroad. The proportion of children with at least one parent abroad is much higher for those living in the households in the highest quintile (9%) compared to those living in the households in the lowest quintile (1%).

| Table CP.12: Children with parents living abroad  |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
|---|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Percent distribution of children age 0-17 years by residence of parents in another country, Punjab, 2014. |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
|   | Percent distribution of children age 0-17 years: |                    |                               |                                   |       | Percentage of children age 0-17 years with at least one parent living abroad <sup>1</sup> | Number of children age 0-17 years |
|   | With at least one parent living abroad           |                    |                               | With neither parent living abroad | Total |   |                                   |
|   | Only mother abroad                               | Only father abroad | Both mother and father abroad |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| Punjab  | 0.0  | 3.9                | 0.0                           | 96.1                              | 100.0 | 3.9   | 106,585                           |
| Area of residence   |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| Rural   | 0.0  | 4.1                | 0.0                           | 95.9                              | 100.0 | 4.1   | 73,372                            |
| All Urban   | 0.0  | 3.5                | 0.0                           | 96.5                              | 100.0 | 3.5   | 33,213                            |
| Major Cities  | 0.0  | 2.8                | 0.0                           | 97.2                              | 100.0 | 2.8   | 16,845                            |
| Other Urban   | 0.0  | 4.1                | 0.0                           | 95.9                              | 100.0 | 4.1   | 16,368                            |
| Sex   |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| Male  | 0.0  | 3.9                | 0.0                           | 96.1                              | 100.0 | 3.9   | 54,610                            |
| Female  | 0.0  | 3.9                | 0.0                           | 96.1                              | 100.0 | 3.9   | 51,975                            |
| Age   |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| 0-4   | 0.0  | 4.9                | 0.0                           | 95.1                              | 100.0 | 4.9   | 31,324                            |
| 5-9   | 0.0  | 3.9                | 0.0                           | 96.1                              | 100.0 | 3.9   | 31,473                            |
| 10-14   | 0.0  | 3.4                | 0.0                           | 96.6                              | 100.0 | 3.4   | 28,665                            |
| 15-17   | 0.0  | 2.7                | 0.0                           | 97.3                              | 100.0 | 2.7   | 15,124                            |
| Wealth index quintile   |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| Lowest  | 0.0  | 1.1                | 0.0                           | 98.9                              | 100.0 | 1.1   | 24,430                            |
| Second  | 0.0  | 1.4                | 0.0                           | 98.6                              | 100.0 | 1.4   | 22,293                            |
| Middle  | 0.0  | 2.9                | 0.0                           | 97.1                              | 100.0 | 2.9   | 21,147                            |
| Fourth  | 0.0  | 6.2                | 0.0                           | 93.8                              | 100.0 | 6.2   | 20,305                            |
| Highest   | 0.0  | 9.3                | 0.0                           | 90.7                              | 100.0 | 9.3   | 18,411                            |
| Division  |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |
| Bahawalpur  | 0.0  | 1.3                | 0.0                           | 98.7                              | 100.0 | 1.3   | 11,843                            |
| D.G. Khan   | 0.0  | 3.9                | 0.0                           | 96.1                              | 100.0 | 3.9   | 11,995                            |
| Faisalabad  | 0.0  | 2.6                | 0.0                           | 97.4                              | 100.0 | 2.6   | 12,775                            |
| Gujranwala  | 0.0  | 11.6               | 0.0                           | 88.4                              | 100.0 | 11.6  | 15,697                            |
| Lahore  | 0.0  | 1.8                | 0.0                           | 98.2                              | 100.0 | 1.8   | 18,395                            |
| Multan  | 0.0  | 1.7                | 0.0                           | 98.3                              | 100.0 | 1.7   | 12,353                            |
| Rawalpindi  | 0.0  | 6.5                | 0.0                           | 93.5                              | 100.0 | 6.5   | 8,209                             |
| Sahiwal   | 0.0  | 2.1                | 0.0                           | 97.9                              | 100.0 | 2.1   | 7,484                             |
| Sargodha  | 0.0  | 2.0                | 0.0                           | 98.0                              | 100.0 | 2.0   | 7,833                             |
| <sup>1</sup> MICS indicator 8.15 - Children with at least one parent living abroad                        |  |                    |                               |                                   |       |   |                                   |